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Have You Met?



W. S. PEARCE,
President of the Empire of Britain

Mr. Pearce is one of the best-known persons in trans-Atlantic service, and during his long service with the Canadian Pacific line made friends with thousands of regular travellers. He was many years in the Empress of Scotland, and has been round the world so often that place like Bombay and Hong-Kong are as familiar to him as the rose-filled garden of his Southampton home.

Guides Hold

Farewell Party For

Mrs. R. E. Hales

The local Girl Guide Committee, leaders, and Brownie packs were present at a farewell party for Mrs. Hales (Brown Owl) last week at the home of Mrs. Brown.

The afternoon was spent in playing games and singing songs. After lunch the Brown Owl awarded Dorothy Jean Jones her "First Class" badge the first Brownie to earn this.

Dorothy Jones, on behalf of the Brownie Pack, then presented Mrs. Hales with a gift and Tawny Owl, Margaret Richards remembered her with a gift from the Guide Leaders.

Mrs. Hales will be missed by the Arrowwood Brownies and all of the organizations wish her success in any future undertakings in Guide work.

REDUCTION IN GRAIN STORAGE RATES

In Alberta Pool Elevators

Announcement is made that a storage rate of 1-45 of a cent a bushel per day will apply on grain stored in all Alberta Pool elevators, effective from August 31, 1935 for the ensuing year. The present rate, which has prevailed for many years, is 1-30 of a cent a bushel a day.

The Alberta Pool elevators are making this voluntary reduction as a temporary measure in reducing cost to grain growers during the present recognized emergency in the marketing of grain.

The proposed reduction will affect 435 Pool elevators in this province as well as four terminals operated by the Alberta Pool on the Pacific coast.

Alberta Pool Elevators

THRESHERS' LICENSES

Important Notice

All operators of Threshing Mags and Combines in Alberta are required to be licensed, the fee being \$1.00. Those operating without a license are liable to prosecution.

Licenses may be secured through the rural Municipal Secretaries, the District Agriculturalist, or by sending direct to

Alberta Department of Agriculture
Edmonton, Alberta

Richardson Denounces False

40c Wheat Production Cost

Figures Attributed To Him

Deliberate Attempt Made to Mislead Public Concerning James Richardson's Evidence Before Wheat Board Committee

Advocates Profitable Price to Farmer

Certain farm agitators and propagandists have been attempting for some years to inflame the public mind against the Grain Trade and those associated with it. The methods have been to issue unfair propaganda and to place a false and unfounded interpretation upon the words and actions of those who have differed from their own. A glaring example of the sort of misrepresentation referred to is cited below, and must meet with the strong disapproval of fair-minded farmers in Western Canada.

Mr. James A. Richardson, President of James Richardson and Sons Limited, on June 21st and June 24th, 1935, appeared before a Special Committee of the House of Commons Hearings in connection with the Canadian wheat Board Bill. Following presentation to the Committee of a statement covering various phases of the Canadian Grain Trade, Mr. Richardson was examined by the Prime Minister, the Right Honourable R. B. Bennett. In the course of this questioning a discussion took place concerning cost of producing wheat in Western Canada. The evidence and examination of Mr. Richardson required some hours, and occupied 50 printed pages of evidence containing more than 45,000 words. The excerpt from the verbatim report of the proceedings dealing with the discussion on cost of producing wheat reads as follows:

Right Honourable R. B. Bennett: "Now, Mr. Richardson, how much do you think the farmer should be paid for his wheat in order to break even. You have had a large experience in all branches of the business, how much should he have, not to make a profit, but just to break even?"

James A. Richardson: "Well, I have heard farmers say if they had a fair crop of wheat and got 40 cents on the farm they could get by; they would not be making money, but they could get by all right."

Mr. Bennett: "Forty cents on the farm?"

Mr. Richardson: "Yes."

Mr. Bennett: "No. 1 at forty cents on the farm?"

Mr. Richardson: "I suppose forty cents would apply in connection with all that he had."

Mr. Bennett: "So that what you mean, now Mr. Richardson, that being so what would the price be on the market for that sort of wheat, how much would you have to allow for freight?"

Mr. Richardson: "Well, 15 cents a bushel would be high, it would be a top freight, isn't it?"

Mr. Bennett: "That is the top freight, isn't it?"

Mr. Richardson: "Yes, sir, 12 cents average freight."

Mr. Bennett: "So that to the people in the country it should be 55 cents, you think that would be a satisfactory figure for the farmer?"

Mr. Richardson: "No, sir, I do not. I want to see the farmer get just as high a price as we could sell his wheat for in the world's markets. I am not satisfied to indicate any price, other than the best price we can possibly get for him."

Mr. Bennett: "You see, what has been suggested by one of the witnesses is that the government through a board should establish a minimum price and if wheat went below that price it should be subject to subsidy or assistance. The Chairman of your own grain exchange submitted

practically that proposal. The board would have to arrive at a minimum price, and if the price established by supply and demand in the markets of the world went below that figure there should be some provision made to which the farmer would receive the difference. That is why I wanted to get from you some idea as to minimum price."

Mr. Richardson: "If you appoint the board, Mr. Chairman, in the fall of the year once the crop of the northern hemisphere is assured and we have the information on which to form a little more intelligent idea I would be glad to give my views, and I am sure everyone would be glad to hear them, to what we would think that price ought to be. I certainly would not attempt to do it now before knowing what the crop of the northern hemisphere is going to be."

Mr. Bennett: "I thought probably Mr. Richardson in your view and that was the reason I asked you what you regarded as a reasonable price to the farmer for his crop, just to produce it, leaving out for the moment the question of profit, and that you say is 40 cents?"

Mr. Richardson: "I do not say anything, except that I have been told by good farm people who know the business."

Mr. Bennett: "You have had sabine influences in the matter, haven't you?"

Mr. Richardson: "Yes."

Mr. Bennett: "My information is that you have operated farms?"

Mr. Richardson: "Yes, sir."

Mr. Bennett: "Did you ever produce any wheat at 40 cents a bushel?"

Mr. Richardson: "Well, I was a coarse grain grower myself, I could tell you more about what it costs to feed hogs and steers."

Mr. Bennett: "But you have your own wheat?"

Mr. Richardson: "I could not tell you what it costs to grow it, but I am sure it was a big price."

Mr. Bennett: "Would it be more than 40 cents?"

Mr. Richardson: "I could not tell you what it is, because I have never calculated it."

Mr. Bennett: "I see."

Mr. Richardson: "I am sure that if I took interest on the money invested in my farm and everything else into consideration the figure would be high."

It will readily be seen that a price of 40 cents per bushel, plus freight bringing the price to 55 cents per bushel was neither advocated nor stated as a fair price by Mr. Richardson. He advocated that the Government should take steps to regain and extend the market for Canadian wheat, and that governmental assistance be extended to farmers under existing conditions and prevailing world prices.

By extracting a single sentence from more than 45,000 words dealing with Mr. Richardson's evidence, an attempt has been made, by those who are not concerned in placing the truth before the farmers, to make it appear that Mr. Richardson was advocating a price of 40 cents per bushel for wheat to the farmers of Western Canada. It will be clear from the foregoing evidence that Mr. Richardson did not state as a fair price a bushel of wheat. Nevertheless deliberately misleading information was issued by the Alberta Wheat Pool in their Weekly Budget of News to the Weekly News-Printer of Alberta in an attempt to mislead the farmers into believing that Mr. Richardson considered 40 cents as being a price basis which our

Canadian farmers should be prepared to accept for their wheat.

Similar misleading reports have appeared in newspaper columns and have been repeated in statements to the same effect have been circulated and repeated throughout the country. The Wheat Board Bill as originally introduced in Parliament made no provision for a guaranteed minimum price to the farmer. The producer was to get an initial payment and a participation certificate similar to the method followed under the Wheat Board of 1919. Mr. Richardson advocated that the farmer be given a guaranteed fixed minimum price, the bill was subsequently amended by the committee to provide for this proposed fixed minimum price to the farmer. In the course of his evidence dealing with the need of assisting in obtaining a fair price for the producer, Mr. Richardson said:

"If our government wants to give our farmers financial assistance under existing conditions (and I certainly like to see them do so), then there are several ways this can be done. I consider it possible to assist our producer a guaranteed fixed price, but still to permit an open market, that is, our market declined below the fixed price the farmer would get a certificate from the elevator company entitling him to collect the difference between the fixed price and what his wheat actually realized. The farmer might, on the other hand, if he found it advisable to bid a direct subsidy, that is a government problem as to how this matter may best be met. But must be accepted as a fact, that the foreign buyer will continue to buy wherever he can buy the most for his money, and that he will take full advantage of depreciated currencies in certain parts of the world, and it is quite fair to say and induce him to subsidize citizens of other countries."

"I would rather like to see the farmer assured of a fixed minimum price, that would give him some protection against depreciated currencies of the southern hemisphere, and a board with authority to see sabine influences in the matter, et, if they thought it were necessary, and to feed out our surplus wheat as and when the market would take it, and try to allow the farmer the largest possible freedom, and to act as a stabilizing factor, an insurance and a safety factor, to operate largely in that way would depend upon the wisdom and deal on good judgment being employed."

These persons who have sought to place Mr. Richardson in a wrong light in the minds of the farmers of western Canada had available to them the above statement. Yet they apparently sought to mislead the farmers whom they are paid to serve. It is difficult to catch up with misrepresentation and falsehoods.

Mr. Richardson feels that in addition to production costs, farming industry, like other forms of business, should reap a fair margin of profit.

Mr. Richardson has spent his entire working life-time in the grain business. The firm of which he is now the active head commenced marketing grain of Canadian farmers in 1887. For 78 years it has served the grain producers of Canada, and it is not so going to do in the same fair and efficient manner that has characterized all its dealings.

Restoration of wheat prices to a profitable level to the producer and the sale of Canadian wheat, rather than its storage in the grain business, are the ends to which Mr. Richardson is dedicated and will continue to be. Mr. Richardson, operating in the handling and exporting end of the Canadian grain business, has the interests of the Canadian farmer more to heart than those who have caused loss of markets for Canadian wheat and who now seek to bury it by spreading false and malicious statements concerning the grain trade and those engaged in the grain business in the hope of causing climatic and social competition.

In view of the quotations of the above words and by Mr. Richardson before the committee, we believe we can rely upon every fair minded farmer to condemn the untrue statements that have been made and the influence that has been drawn.—JAMES RICHARDSON & SONS LIMITED—Adv.

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GARAGE

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Round About Town

Miss Dorena Roberge of Bassano spent last week-end with Miss Hazel Taylor.

Mr. Bishop of Vancouver B.C. arrived on Saturday and is visiting with his daughter, Mrs. E. J. Liesemer.

Miss Millicent Taylor left a few days ago for Vancouver where she will spend a few days with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ward left last week for a trip to Vancouver and other western points.

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REWARD WHEAT

Last year our Reward wheat was degraded from No. 1 and from No. 1 Hard down to lower grades for the reason that a percentage of the kernels showed a bronze or green color. This discoloration, it has been found, was caused by the Reward wheat being cut on the green side. Apparently Marquis and Garnet can be cut when slightly green. Reward, however, cannot. Farmers are recommended, therefore, to consider allowing their fields of Reward to ripen thoroughly before being cut.

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Here and There

Pine perchom stallions, smartly groomed cavalry chargers of the mounted police, racing and pacing horses and mounts trained in jumping and for the hunting field mingled at the village of Montebello, P.Q., on the north shore of the Ottawa, for the annual Signatory Club Horse Show this summer during August 15-18, Thursday to Sunday. A musical ride will be put on by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The event is under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor-General and Canadian and American society folks are expected in large numbers.

Enjoying a short stay at the Banff Springs Hotel on his way to taking up his post in London, His Excellency T. Matsudaira, Japanese Ambassador to Great Britain, stated to an interviewer, "I prefer just to enjoy myself and to forget for a few hours that there are more serious duties than the contemplation of this lovely place."

Addressing a gathering of the Rotary Club of Victoria at the Empress Hotel, recently, Premier Joseph A. Leves, of Australia, pointed to the British Empire as a great force for peace and urged Canada to cultivate a more favorable trade with his own country.

Last year, he said, Australia bought from Canada \$13,600,000 worth of goods, while Canada bought from Australia only \$4,000,000 worth.

The Algonquin Hotel, 26 Andrews-by-the-Sea, New Brunswick, opened for the summer season at the end of June, and is now the centre of much holiday activity. Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Beashrough were among the guests and the famous Saira Cove bathing beach is again as in former years very popular with the children and the younger set.



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Arrowwood Notes

For Sale—Winchester Pump Gun, 12 gauge. Cheap. Apply my residence. Jack Beagle.

Three new members to the teaching staff of the Arrowwood Consolidated School assumed duties on Tuesday last when school opened. They are Mr. Miller, grades 11 and 12 Mr. Curry grades 7 and 8 and Miss Dukes, grades 4, 5, and 6.

Mr. Fred Miller reports a very unusual occurrence in the fact that on August 12 and August 31 he shipped wheat from Arrowwood in the same box car.

Mrs. C. Johnson and children have been spending the past two weeks visiting at Cowley.

For Sale—One registered Boar and sixteen Brood Sows All Yorkshires. Apply Buffalo Hills Ranch.

Mr. Norman Cary, Editor of the Resource, left last week for Armstrong, B.C. He will be away about ten days.

Mrs. Lemna of Chicago is visiting for a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Taylor.

Mrs. Clifford, Miss Evelyn Clifford and Miss E. Andrews returned last week end from a motor trip to Chicago and other U.S. points.

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Combine Specials

Prices cut to the quick

To-day's most popular combine, the Oliver, Nichols and Shepard Combine, the combine with the regular large thrasher cylinder, the "Man Behind the Gun" and steel winged beaters.

The demand for these combines proves their worth, and the price—why its astounding what these machines may be bought for. An inquiry will bring you all the details.

These combines may be had in 12 and 16 foot sizes with table extensions, and all have the recleaning equipment built into them.

We also have a few second hand binders

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The foreman reported that the jury was unable to reach a verdict. The judge reproved them, saying that the case was a very clear one and remanded them to the jury room for further deliberation.

"And if you don't reach an agreement before evening" the judge added, "I will have twelve suppers brought in to you."

"May it please your honor," the foreman replied, "You had better make it eleven suppers and one bale of hay."

And in the meantime—"Watch the Fords Go By."

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